कोयला मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजित कुमार पांजा) : (क) से (ङ) केन्द्रीय खान आयोजन एवं डिजाइन संस्थान लि० ने 19 तथा 20 जनवरी, 1994 को रांची में आधुनिक कोयला खानों के लिए अन्वेषण प्रौद्योगिकी पर एक दो दिवसीय संगोष्टि आयोजित की थी, जिसमें कुछ विदेशी प्रतिनिधियों ने भी भाग लिया था।

संगोष्टि के समापन पर मुख्य रूप में निम्नलिखित सिफारिशें की गई :—

(क) एक राष्ट्रीय कोयला अन्वेषण नीति का निष्पादन किए जाने की आवश्यकता है;

(ख) चालू अन्वेषण क्रियाकलाप जारी रखे जाएं;

(ग) भू-भौतिकी, हाइड्रोजोलाजिकल (जल-भूगर्भीय) जांच तथा अन्य आधुनिक उपकरणों का प्रयोग करके अन्वेषण प्रौद्योगिकी को अद्यतन किए जाने की आवश्यकता है;

(घ) वास्तविक जांच के माध्यम से आंकड़ों के प्रत्यावर्तन को अद्यतन किए जाने की आवश्यकता है;

(ङ) निम्नलिखित बल दिए जाने वाले क्षेत्रों का विनिर्दिष्टकरण—अन्तरीय-सीमा में भू-कम्पीय तथा क्रास बोरहोल टोपोग्राफी—

कोयला बेड मेथेन का उत्खनन।

यह बात सत्य नहीं है कि देश में कोयले के कुल भंडार अनुमानित भंडारों से कम हैं।

Export Promotion Industrial Parks Scheme

*174. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that; Government had finalised in April, 1993, a scheme known as 'Export Promotion Industrial Parks Scheme' ;

(b) if so, the main features of the Scheme ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the scheme initially failed to take off ;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken to remedy the situation and the progress madle in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (e) A draft Export Promotion Industrial Park Scheme was circulated to State Governments and Planning Commission on 31-3-1993 for comments/suggestions. The Scheme was envisaged for implementation from 1994-95 only.

The Scheme provides that 75% of the capital expenditure incurred towards creation of infrastructural facilities for export oriented production, which will ordinarily be limited to Rs. 10 crores in each case, will be met -from a Central grant to the State Governments. In addition, a maintenance grant equivalent to 2% of export turnover of each unit established therein would also be made available to the State Governments for a period of 5 years from the date of commercial production of that unit.

National Commission for Wage Policy

*175 SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to appoint a National Commission on Labour to look into the wage policy and if so, when the Commission will be appointed;

(b) whether Government have prepared any terms of reference for the Commission; and

(c) whether Government will consider grouping the labour, such as in industrialised towns, semi industrialised towns and new developing industrial towns ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA)): (a) The matter regarding setting up of the second National Commission on Labour is under consideration of the Government. A decision in the matter has not yet been taken.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

खनिज तथा धातू व्यापार निगम द्वारा माल का खरीदा जाना

*176. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव :** क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि खनिज तथा धातु व्यापार निगम द्वारा खरीदा गया माल विनिर्दिष्ट किस्म का नहीं था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि गत दो वर्षों के दौरान ऐसे मामलों में कोई जवाबदेही नियत नहीं की गयी है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान ऐसे मामलों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ङ) सरकार ने इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रणब मुखर्जी): (क) ऐसी कोई बात जानकारी में नहीं आयी है । (ख) से (ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Selling Coal Mines

*177. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Coal India Ltd. is planning to sell some of its mines ; and

(b) if so, what Ms the number of mines to be sold, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) No, Sir. There is presently no proposal to sell or transfer any of the working mines under Coal India Limited. . . .

(b) Does not arise.

Estimated Production of Flue Cured Virginia (F.C.V.)' Tobacco

*178. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total estimated production of F.C.V. tobacco during the current year, from Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka ;

'(b) the total export orderis ;

(c) the domestic demand;

(d) when are the . auction platforms going to be opened in Andhra Pradesh; and

(e) what is the total carry-over' stock ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) The estimated production of FCV tobacco for the 1993-94 season is as follows:—

Andhra Pradesh : 95 M. Kgs.

Karnataka : 33 M. Kgs.

. (b) The projected . export potential is about 55 M. Kgs.

(c) The projected domestic demand is about 70 M. Kgs.

(d) It has been planned to open the auction platforms in A.P. in three phases as detailed below :—

Phaese	Date	No. of plateforms
1. Central Light Soils	14-3-94	2
2. Soathern Light Soils and Northern Light Soils	23-3-94	5
3. All Black Soils' .	30-3-94	12

(e) As gathered from the trade, at present there is an estimated uncommitted carry-over stock from earlier crops of about 16 M. Kgs.